

# Bridging the Gap with Delight, Florence and Ezechi Inuagwu – June – Sept., 2013



*Delight, Florence & Ezechi @Delight's 3<sup>rd</sup> Birthday*



## Abuja Bible College

*Equipping and Encouraging Christian believers for faithful bible teaching*

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### Reflections

The Doctrine of Election is one of the thorny teachings of the Bible. I was in a program where my friends and I had

to discuss this in relation to the Parable of the Wedding Feast in Matthew 22: 1 – 14 which illustrates the doctrine in a very unique way.

While the king throws out a universal invitation to the feast, all invitees were expected to wear a wedding garment (*whatever that would mean*). In some uncanny way, the king spotted out and dismissed a guest who wasn't wearing a 'wedding garment'. Verse 14 summarized the reason was that "... many are called, but few chosen".

It is apparent that the text is saying that while all are called, the king knows those who are his. This knowledge should be a cause for gratitude by all who believe and also a great motivation to passionately engage in Evangelism.

## Family Updates

### *Ezechi*

EMA was a refreshing time for me as I arrived in London very tired and wearied. The teachings were very enriching. The trip afforded me the opportunity to visit our partner churches and friends and I got a bit of rest as I wrote and planned for the next college session which begins on 23<sup>rd</sup> September, 2013.



From the 25<sup>th</sup> August to 1<sup>st</sup> September 2013, I was in Sierra Leone with some brothers in the REGOM Bible Expository Training conference. It was a fruitful time of joining Samuel Tarawali and Samuel Sesay to teach a good number of Pastors and people in Bible teaching roles in church on Principles of interpreting the various genres of Scripture and doing a Bible overview (From the Garden to the City). The pictures above from left to right show *Samuel Sesay and Samuel Tarawali and their families pose for pictures with Ezechi and a cross-section of some the participants at the REGOM Conference with Ezechi*

### *Florence*

She is thankfully well and has been busy taking care of Delight (who really is a handful) while I was away. It was a joy to return back to my family as this was the longest trip I have made without them.

### *Delight*

We had a little birthday party for her and her Sunday school friends to celebrate her 3<sup>rd</sup> birthday. She has continued to be a lovely girl and also growing in wit. She did very well in her term exams and was well commended. We gave as one of her birthday gifts, a Bible that was adapted for her age which Florence and I have been taking turns to read to her. She enjoys it so much that she brings it every morning and every evening to be read to her.

We pray that she continues to grow to know and serve the LORD. Also, we pray that she would grow in wisdom and intelligence.

## Abuja Bible College (ABC) News



### 2012/2013 Students Graduation Ceremony.

Pastors, family and friends of the graduating students and some Trustee members gathered at the college hall for a well-attended and colourful 2<sup>nd</sup> graduation ceremony amidst security tensions of the Chairman who received death threats from an unknown Islamic militant. (Thank God the Security operatives have made good progress in the investigations)

Six students graduated and received their certificates and gifts. They have all returned to the ministries and country to continue their works and a couple of them to begin the process of ordination training. Please pray for them. The picture by the side shows **Chika, Ezechi & Florence with the graduating students**

Chika Okefiena, the Administrator in doing very well and her son has started KG (play class) in a local school within walking distance of the college. *Hopefully the process of making baby number two can begin in earnest.*

### Recruitment

Through our Fliers and Brochures and through the website and word of mouth, we have received some enquiries and some applications. We have five confirmed qualified students and we hope for more to apply. A good number of the applicants are appealing for different levels of scholarship. Please, pray that God would provide us with some funding that could cater for bursaries as we desire for more to come.

### Needs

**1. College Property Purchase:** We have serious need to purchase the property as the Landlord has graciously extended the deadline for purchase to June 2014. So far, a total of \$46, 932.52USD (£30, 000) has been raised out of the expected \$144, 000 USD. Please pray that God will connect us to groups and individuals who may be able to give to help us secure the property and strengthen the future of training faithful Bible teachers.

**2. Bursaries:** As we recruit for new students, our immediate big need is bursaries for students.

Thank you for praying and for giving to us.

### Items for praise and prayer:

- ❖ Praise God for good health and strength for Florence, Delight, myself and the ABC crew.
- ❖ Praise God for His gracious provision of friends and resources.
- ❖ Praise God for my useful and successful UK trip.
- ❖ Praise God for His amazing provision of a laptop for me, which was a huge need at the end of the session.
- ❖ Praise God for providing for me to make it to the REGOM Sierra Leone conference and my teaching sessions
  
- ❖ Pray that God will be bringing good students to study at ABC as we recruit for a new session.
- ❖ Pray for God's blessings on all efforts to raise funds for the purchase of the College property.
- ❖ Pray for the preparations and my teaching sessions in this last term of the College session.
- ❖ Pray that Delight would continue to grow well and to love the LORD.
- ❖ Pray that God would provide a job for Florence.

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